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SUBJECT: CHILE: MILGP REQUEST FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR
SCI2007JCET330WF

¶1. This is an action request. See paragraphs 2 and 3.

¶2. Action request: Embassy requests the Department assist in conducting a Leahy Amendment Human Rights review, as well as a general name check of the following Chilean candidates who have been nominated for joint training with U.S. forces in Chile, pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Please transmit the results of such, including information not strictly covered by the Leahy Amendment, to Embassy.

¶3. The proposed training is the SCI2007JCET330WF small-unit tactics, patrol, and direct action exercise. Pre-exercise training and coordination will be conducted at the Special Forces and Airborne Training School (Escuela de Fuerzas Especiales y Paracaidistas) in Colina, north of Santiago, and at the Special Police Operations Group (Grupos de Operaciones Policiales Especiales) Installation in Cerrillos, Santiago. The field training exercise will be conducted around Calama, in Chile's Second Region. Advance team will arrive in Chile April 17, with training to be concluded by May 30, 2007. The name and identifying information of the proposed candidates appear in the following format: Name, rank, unit, date of birth, place of birth and national identification number.

a. Carlos LOPEZ Gonzalez, Captain, Carabineros de Chile Grupo de Operaciones Policiales Especiales (GOPE), 7 Apr 1971, Santiago, Chile, 13.690.169-9.

b. Manuel VALDIVIESO Teran, Lieutenant, GOPE, 24 Aug 1974, Santiago, Chile, 12.483.197-0.

c. Edgar SALAS Uribe, Lieutenant, GOPE, 17 Jun 1977, Coyhaique, Chile, 13.325.177-4.

d. Marco MORAGA Martinez, Lieutenant, GOPE, 3 May 1979, Santiago, Chile, 13.698.106-4.

e. Gerardo BASCUR Villagran, Lieutenant, GOPE, 6 Jun 1976, Los Angeles, Chile, 14.514.232-6.

f. Jorge QUEZADA TOBAR, Master Sergeant, GOPE, 18 Feb 1957, Talca, Chile, 7.251.791-1.

g. Ivan ZAPATA Rivas, Master Sergeant, GOPE, 26 Jul 1961, Traiguen, Chile, 8.293.526-6.

h. Miguel RODRIGUEZ Cortez, Sergeant 1st Class, GOPE, 20 Oct 1962, Villa del Mar, Chile, 9.527.865-5.

i. Ezzio ARIAS Villalobos, Staff Sergeant, GOPE, 21 Jun 1965, Santiago, Chile, 9.765.937-0.

j. Juan GUERRERO Cabrera, Sergeant, GOPE, 4 Jan 1968,

Penaflor, Chile, 11.334.276-5.

k. Alejandro FLORES Bustamante, Sergeant, GOPE, 8 Jun 1968, Mafil, Chile, 10.837.407-1.

l. Noel ROJAS Yanez, Sergeant, GOPE, 27 Jul 1969, Linares, Chile, 10.666.546-k.

m. Ivan MONTEMNEGRO Araya, Sergeant, GOPE, 7 Nov 1968, Valparaiso, Chile, 11.332.060-5.

n. Jose OYARZUN Loaiza, Sergeant, GOPE, 23 Sep 1967, Osorno, Chile, 11.139.895-k.

o. Sergio COMJAMIL Quinimil, Corporal, GOPE, 22 Jul 1971, Ercilla, Chile, 11.797.710-2.

p. Miguel JARA Munoz, Corporal, GOPE, 7 May 1974, Los Angeles, Chile, 12.558.456-k.

q. Alfredo AHUMADA Gajardo, Corporal, GOPE, 18 Feb 1976, San Felipe, Chile, 17.514.272-k.

r. Williams GUTIERREZ Quijada, Corporal, GOPE, 17 May 1974, Lota, Chile, 12.704.208-k.

s. Ricardo CAMPOS Obando, Corporal, GOPE, 8 Mar 1976, Portales, Chile, 13. 042.818-5.

t. Victor FERNANDEZ Castillo, Corporal, GOPE, 7 Nov 1973, Longavi, Chile, 12.317.238-8.

u. Luis RIOS Cifuentes, Corporal, GOPE, 9 Mar 1977, Panguipulli, Chile, 13.159.297-3.

v. Ivan HERNANDEZ Cambiaso, Major General, Chilean Army, Special Forces Group, 15 Feb 57, Santiago, 7.077.719-3.

¶4. Embassy's ongoing investigation has not found credible information that these candidates have been involved in gross human rights violations.

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